REQUEST **FOR** CONTINUED EXAMINATION (R **TRANSMITTAL**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-captioned application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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